

I own a rural WISP, which is currently in the startup phase, only a few customers online. I have reached only part of the possible customer base, partly because an area which desperately needs broadband, which is remote, is heavily forested.

This area has almost no broadcast tv channels. No antenna will pick up more than 3 or 4 uhf frequency channels, no vhf, and all this spectrum lies unused, yet unavailable for low-power local use.

There is vast whitespace, where no broadcasters on the tv channels exist for over a hundred miles, and cut off by mountain ranges. And there never will be. But that spectrum could be used here, to create localized broadband, given sensible power and frequency choices.

I'm sure that this exists in countless areas of rural America, not just here. I strongly encourage the FCC to consider this possibility and further, that it be specifically done for rural areas in an unlicensed, but by specific permit, basis.

Thank you.